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“Get Into the Act” Volunteer Carnival
Wednesday, May 27, 2015, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
May is Older Americans Month

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Las Vegas, NV – The Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division will celebrate Older Americans Month by hosting a Volunteer Carnival, May 27, 2015 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at United Way of Southern Nevada, 5830 West Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89103.

Since 1963, communities across the country have shown their gratitude by celebrating Older Americans Month each May. The theme of this year’s celebration is “Get into the Act,” to focus on how older adults are taking charge of their health, engaging in their communities, and making a positive impact in the lives of others.

The carnival is an opportunity for the Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division and many other organizations to recruit more volunteers. Several organizations will come together in one convenient location to highlight volunteer opportunities available in our community. Individuals who drop by the carnival will enjoy light refreshments, play fun carnival games and learn valuable information about community volunteer programs at the following organizations:

- American Red Cross
- Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada
- Jewish Federation of Las Vegas Senior Lifeline
- Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department
- MSA Home Health and Hospice
- Nevada Aging and Disability Services Resource Center (ADRC)
- Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division Volunteer Programs:
 - State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
 - Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP)
 - Long-Term Care Volunteer Ombudsman Program
 - Medicare Improvements for Patients and Provider’s Act Volunteer Program (MIPPA)
- Nevada Senior Services
- Project 150

- SAFE House
- Safe Nest
- St. Rose Dominican Hospital
- United Way of Southern Nevada
- USA Cares
- U.S. Senator Reid Representatives
- U.S. Congressman Heck Representatives

Volunteering is a perfect way for older adults to “Get into the Act.” Volunteer studies show that those who volunteer have improved physical and mental well-being.

To find out how to serve those in need in your community, attend the Volunteer Carnival on May 27, 2015. For more information, please contact: Alyssa Dangaren, (702) 486-2438

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Background: The Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division provides leadership and advocacy in the planning, development and delivery of a high quality, comprehensive support service system across the lifespan. This allows all of Nevada’s elders, adults and children with disabilities or special health care needs to live independent, meaningful, and dignified lives in the most integrated setting appropriate to their needs.